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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Austin
Serial No. 10/804,876
Filed: March 20, 2004
Confirmation No.: 7663

Examiner: Susan C. Alimenti
Art Unit: 3644

For: METHODS FOR AUTOMATICALLY CONTROLLING FUNCTIONS AT
ANIMAL PROCESSING FACILITIES AND SYSTEMS THEREFOR

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2005, Applicant hereby elects Group
1 (Claims 1-10 and 21-22) for prosecution in the above-identified application. The
Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required to Deposit Account
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Respectfully submitted,

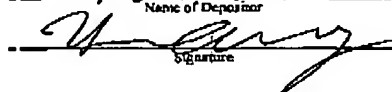


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